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SUBJECT: VISITING MISSION TO OBSERVE CONSTITUTIONAL
REFERENDUM

1. TC PRESIDENT GARRIGUE (FRANCE) HAS REQUESTED THAT THE FOLLOWING BE PROVIDED ASAP: A) ANY WRITTEN INFORMATION AVAILABLE ON THE CONDUCT OF THE REFERENDUM, INCLUDING REFERENDUM BOARD PROCEDURES, AND THE ORGANIZATION OF ALL PHASES OF THE REFERENDUM. (FYI WE HAVE ALREADY PROVIDED COPIES OF COM LEGISLATION (HOUSE BILL 7-444) PROVIDING FOR THE CONDUCT OF THE REFERENDUM.) B) A DETAILED LIST OF THE KINDS OF THINGS THAT THE MISSION SHOULD BE LOOKING FOR IN EACH DISTRICT, INCLUDING SPECIFIC QUESTIONS THAT THEY SHOULD ASK THE LOCAL REFERENDUM AUTHORITIES.

2. BYATT (UK) ASKED US TO INFORM REFERENDUM BOARD
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CHAIRMAN CRALEY OF HIS CONCERNS ABOUT THE SECURITY OF THE BALLOT BOXES. HE UNDERSTANDS FROM THE COM LEADERS THAT LOCAL REFERENDUM AUTHORITIES WILL RETAIN THE KEY TO THE OUTER LOCK OF THE BALLOT BOXES ALLOWING FOR POSSIBLE TAMPERING. HE WONDERS IF IT WOULD BE POSSIBLE TO INCREASE THE SECURITY OF THE BOXES BY LOCKING THE OUTER KEY INSIDE THE BOX USING

SNAP LOCKS FOR THE OUTER LOCK WITH AN EXTRA KEY ONLY
AVAILABLE IN THE DISTRICT CENTERS.

3. CONCERNING THE VISITING MISSION WE ARE PREPARING A
REVISED TENTATIVE SCHEDULE WHICH WILL INCLUDE THE
FOLLOWING CHANGES AND UP-DATED INFORMATION.

-- THE MISSION WILL VISIT WASHINGTON ON TUESDAY,
JUNE 13 (VICE JUNE 16)

-- TC PRINCIPAL SECRETARY WILL REMAIN ON KOSRAE FOR
THE VOTING AND COUNTING (VICE BROCHENIN)

-- BROCHENIN (FRANCE) WILL GO TO EBeye FOR THE
VOTING.

-- ABEBE WILL RETURN TO THE TT TO PARTICIPATE IN
THE OBSERVATION OF THE COUNTING FOLLOWING THE HONOLULU
MEETING AFTER THE REFERENDUM.

-- WOODS (UK) WILL ARRIVE IN HONOLULU ON JUNE 30
AND FLY TO GUAM ON JULY 2 (VICE JULY 1) DEPARTURE
IMMEDIATELY FOR KOROR

-- WOODS AND DRISS (POLITICAL OFFICER
#1) WILL GO FROM KOROR TO YAP ON EITHER MONDAY, JULY
17 OR SATURDAY JULY 22 (DEPENDING ON HOW LONG THE
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COUNTING IN PALAU TAKES). THIS MAY REQUIRE HOLDING UP
THE COUNTING IN YAP FOR THEIR ARRIVAL.

-- COSTA WILL BE THE SECRETARIAT POLITICAL OFFICER
WHO WILL ACCOMPANY TEAM C (POLITICAL OFFICER #2).

-- THE SECRETARIAT ADMIN OFFICER WILL BE IVAN
KANTEROVITZ.

4. WE WILL PROVIDE THE REQUESTED BIOGRAPHIC
INFORMATION BY SEPTTEL. YOUNG

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